

A TELEGRAM TO POZSONY FROM 1851

There was a telegraphic service in Hungary from 1847. It developed in parallel with the railways and was treated as a postal service. Apart from some railway companies, private operators were excluded.

The charge for sending a telegram depended on how far it was travelling. From October 1850 to September 1863 there were 10 inland distance zones. A message of up to 20 words cost 60 Kreuzer for each distance zone between the despatching and receiving telegraph offices.



N^o 333

700

Von der k. k. Telegraphen Station *Pressburg*

Telegraphische Depesche

Janu Sigmundmy an *Prinsessa*
in *Sigmundmy* Gruppe

Franco

in *Pressburg*

gegen Empfangsbekundigung

N^o 333

700

Von der kaiserlichen königlichen Telegraphen-Station

in

Pressburg

Telegraphische Depesche

angelangt den 7. Jan 1851 um 8. Ufa 10. Minuten } *Donnertags*
 } *Kaufmiltags*

von *Prinsessa* in *Prinsessa*

an *Janu Sigmundmy* in *Pressburg*

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 } *Kaufmiltags*

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Prinsessa, und mit mein
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7 February 1851

Telegram form and envelope

This telegram was despatched in Vienna at 7.50am and received in Pozsony at 8.00am.

The message was transcribed on a telegram form (above). It was then sealed in a telegram envelope (left) with the stamp 'K.K. TELEGRAPHEN BUREAU PRESSBURG' (right).

Both documents were marked with the message number 333 / 700.

The recipient was required to sign for delivery of the envelope.

